

WELCOME to the FREMONT TOWN FOREST

Please Do:

- Hike, observe wildlife, snowshoe, ski,
- Ride a horse and dog-sled only on established trails.
- Ride non-motorized bicycles only on established trails.
- Hunt and fish in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire.
- Snowmobile on designated trails only.

Please Do Not:

- Camp.
- Kindle a fire.
- Erect any structure.
- Layout, construct and/or maintain any trail.
- Litter.
- Remove or damage any structure, trail, natural feature, plant or animal, except as the result of legal hunting or fishing.
- Construct or erect a permanent tree stand.
- Ride any motorized vehicle.

Allowed by permit only:

- Trapping.
- Vehicular access for persons with disabilities.

PENALTY: The penalty for violation shall be a fine of up to \$1,000 per offense.

An Ordinance Governing Uses of the Fremont Town Forests

Effective 22 March 2007 the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Fremont adopts the following:

Section I: Purpose

The Purpose of this Ordinance is to govern the uses and activities in the designated Town Forests in Fremont. The Ordinance is intended to be in accordance with NH RSA 31:110 through 31:113.

Section II: Management

Pursuant to RSA 31:112, the Town Forests shall be managed by the Conservation Commission under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. Said management shall include the laying out and/or construction and/or maintenance of any trail.

Section III: Conduct in the Town Forests

- A. The following activities are allowed within all Town Forests:
 - 1. All pedestrian uses.
 - 2. Horseback riding and dog sledding on established trails.
 - 3. Non-motorized bicycles on established trails.
 - 4. Hunting and fishing in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire.
- B. The following activities are allowed only where permitted:
 - 1. Snowmobile use only on designated, signed trails; such signs shall be conspicuously posted and permit the use of snowmobiles specifically. Snowmobile trails maintenance vehicles shall also be allowed on any signed snowmobile trails. Snowmobile use in all Town Forests shall occur only from December 15, subject to sufficient snow cover (six inches or more), until the ground begins to thaw.
- C. The following activities require written approval by the Board of Selectmen at a posted regular meeting and the approval must be recorded in the minutes of that meeting. The decision by the Board of Selectmen must be made after consideration of the recommendation of the Conservation Commission.
 - 1. Trapping. No trapping activities shall occur in any Town Forest, unless a "Permit to Trap" has been signed and issued by the Board of Selectmen or their designee. Any trapping activities shall be done only in strict accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire.
- D. Persons with disabilities may obtain a written permit issued by the Fremont Police Department for vehicular access.
- E. The following activities are prohibited in all Town Forests:
 - 1. The construction and/or erection of any permanent tree stand not in compliance with RSA 207:36-a. In addition, all temporary tree stands must be marked with the name and address of the owner and be erected no earlier than September 1 and removed no later than January 1.

- 2. Littering (RSA 207:36b)
- 3. Removal of or damage to any structure, trail, nature feature, plant or wildlife. Wildlife may be removed only in accordance with legal hunting, fishing or trapping activities.
- 4. The riding of any motorized vehicle with the exception of Section III B & D. Section IV: Applicability.

This Ordinance applies to all Town Forests in Fremont. Under RSA 31:110, a vote at Town Meeting is required to make a forest into a Town Forest. As of 17 March 2007, there are the following Forests:

FOREST	MAP/LOT	LOCATION AND ACCESS
Oak Ridge	Map 4 Lots 004, 008, 009, 010, 011, 012, 016	
Glen Oakes	Map 2 Lot 156.0	02.001

Section VI: The penalty for the violation of this Ordinance shall be a fine of up to \$1,000 per offense.

Fremont Board of Selectmen		

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Date(s)

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